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RCE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **ATTN: BOX RCE**  
Kanji HATA et al. : **Confirmation No. 2898**  
Serial No. 09/534,262 : **Docket No. 2000\_0351**  
Filed March 24, 2000 : **Group Art Unit 3729**  
COMPONENT MOUNTING APPARATUS : **Examiner R. Chang**  
HAVING COMPONENT SUPPLY TABLES  
PROVIDED ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF A  
COMPONENT TRANSFER PATH (As Amended)

**REMARKS**

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FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

On April 7, 2004, an RCE including an Amendment After Final for the above-identified application was filed.

On April 30, 2004, an Advisory Action was received stating that the Amendment After Final would not be entered for raising new issues that would require further consideration and/or search.

On May 3, 2004, Applicants' undersigned representative spoke with Examiner Chang via telephone, and Examiner Chang expressed that the RCE paper (Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal), was not received, and that only the Amendment After Final was received, and thus the Advisory Action was issued.

Examiner Chang also indicated that a copy of the RCE paper along with its postcard of receipt should be provided so as to have the Amendment After Final considered.

Accordingly, provided herewith is a copy of all papers filed on April 7, 2004, along with a date-stamped postcard indicating that these papers were received by the PTO. Thus, it is hereby requested that the Amendment After Final as filed on April 7, 2004 be considered.

It is not believed that a third month extension of time is necessary, since all papers necessary to have the Amendment After Final considered were timely filed. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency associated with this communication to Deposit Account number 23-0975.

Respectfully submitted,

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# REQUEST for

## CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Filing Date	March 24, 2000
First Named Inventor	Kanji HATA et al.
Group Art Unit	3729
Examiner Name	Rick Kiltae Chang
Attorney Docket Number	2000_0351
Confirmation No.	2898

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
  - a. ☐ Previously submitted:
    - i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
    - ii. ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
    - iii. ☐ Other
  - b. ☒ Enclosed:
    - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☒ Other Petition for a two month Extension of Time
2. Miscellaneous
  - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required).
  - b. ☐ Other
3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)
  - a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.
    - i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
    - ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and § 1.17)
    - iii. ☐ Other
  - b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,190.00 enclosed

### 4. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

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**PATENT OFFICE FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$1,190.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) . . . . . \$770.00

Petition for Extension of Time . . . . . \$420.00

A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Petition hereby is made for a two month extension of time to respond to the communication of  
November 10, 2003.

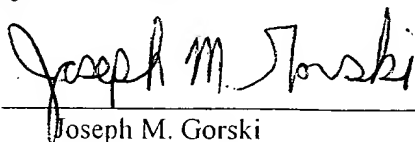
The fee of \$420.00 is

- (X) submitted herewith.
- ( ) to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.
- ( ) Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which
- ( ) is enclosed.
- ( ) has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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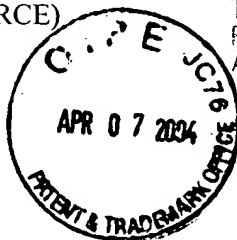


Filing Date: March 24, 2000

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Receipt of the following papers is acknowledged:

1. Fee Transmittal Form ( in duplicate)
2. Petition for two month Extension of Time
3. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
4. Amendment After Final
5. Check in the amount of \$1,190.00



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